

House Resolution No. 729

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives were truly saddened by the death of Johnnie Mae Jones on February 14, 2008, at the age of seventy-four; and

Whereas, Johnnie Mae Jones was born on September 20, 1933, in Saint Louis, Missouri, into the family of Irene Cross and Jack Robson, which would grow to include nine children; and

Whereas, Johnnie Mae Jones prepared for her diverse endeavors in life by attending Patrick Henry Elementary School, graduating from Early Care Education, and then furthering her studies at the Wesley House Center; and

Whereas, Johnnie Mae Jones confessed her life to Christ at an early age and was a highly respected member of Lighthouse Living Word at the time of her death; and

Whereas, Johnnie Mae Jones served the Saint Louis area as a resident manager for J.V.L. #21, an employee for seventeen years at National Pre-arranged Services, and a worker with the Saint Louis Board of Election Commissioners, among other vocational pursuits; and

Whereas, no stranger to honors and accolades, Johnnie Mae Jones was recognized by Dr. Wit A. Jamry in 2007, Saint Louis Mayor Francis Slay in 2006, and former Saint Louis Alderman Michael McMillan in 2000; and

Whereas, the late Johnnie Mae Jones is survived by her ten children, Sidney Robson, Dwight Robson, Calvin Jones, Jr., Denise Ortega, Debra Howell, Bernice Jones, Kenneth Lee Jones, David Jones, Tony Jones, and Patricia Smith; thirty-three grandchildren; thirty-three great-grandchildren; two sisters, Joyce N. Smith and Alfreda Walker-Bey; a special niece, Sheila Jefferson; and a host of other relatives; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse daily actions in order to acknowledge the passing away of such outstanding Missouri residents as Johnnie Mae Jones:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to memorialize the life and work of Johnnie Mae Jones and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt condolences to her family members, colleagues, neighbors, and friends who now miss her considerable strength, warmth, and light in their daily lives; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in memory of Johnnie Mae Jones of Saint Louis, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Rodney R. Hubbard
District No. 58

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 729, adopted February 20, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker